

"THE BUILDER"

THE BUILDER.—This Journal will be exclusively devoted to the interests of Builders, by which term must be understood all that numerous and wealthy portion of persons connected directly or indirectly with Building. It will partake of the character of a Trade Journal or Magazine, and also fulfil the objects of a Weekly Newspaper, by giving a faithful and impartial abstract of the News of the Week. The Conductors will not discuss the question of general Politics, nor will they enter upon Political disquisition at all, unless they measure should be proposed affecting the classes whose interests they will always support and defend. Upon such occasions, and upon such occasions only, will they paper be political. It will be of no party, name, or interest. Indeed, the advocating the true interests of all classes connected with the Building Business, from the Labourer to the Architect, can be so considered. A portion of

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will be occupied by Essays on the Building and Furnishing Arts in all their various and numerous branches. It will contain the designs of Ancient Buildings and Works, and of those of our own day—not mere pictures or views from which nothing is to be learnt, but plans, sections, &c., which, while they will be rendered perfectly intelligible to workmen of ordinary information, it is hoped will not be below the notice of the Architect and the Amateur.

When we consider how numerous and important is the class to whose interests this *Journal* is dedicated; a class of British Aristocrats numbering at least half a million; a class whose trade-education distinguishes them in intellect, knowledge, and wealth. It can only find matter of surprise, that while the Clerical, Medical, Legal, Military, and Naval, the Artists and Literati, and other classes have their public organs of opinion and information; while the Gardeners and Agriculturists, Railway and Commercial and Banking Companies have each their mouth-piece and record; the religious sects, and all the *Politicians* their special advocates, that this most numerous, most intelligent, and most wealthy, should have so long remained without this bond of the Press; to instruct and inform, to disseminate knowledge as to discoveries and inventions, to advertise waste, and form for it a general society of strength, light, and union.

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both as a medium for obtaining information, and for advertising their own production; and requirements, we may enumerate the following:—

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Britain only, and of these only the male birds of the same old and younger.

Architects and Engineers—No number given.	
Agents—None given.	
Auctioneers	3,373
Bricklayers	29,553
Brickmakers	10,184
Builders	5,204
Carpenters	103,238
Cabinet Makers	31,774
Carvers and Glilders	2,604
Chair Makers	603
Ironmongers and Ironfounders	10,411
Lead Jobbers	831
Lime Burners	3,171
Mason and Wallers	40,159
Marble Cutters	1,732
Nailors	1,082
Painters	18,563
Plumbers and Glaziers	11,999
Plasterers	6,583
Sawyers	19,181
Shoers	4,539
Turners	6,906
Upolsters	2,573
Undertakers	1,121

To which, if we add for Ireland, for apprentices and increase of population, we shall have a number probably far exceeding half a million!

That this description of paper has been long a desideratum, is evinced by the history and character of the associations of years past. The struggles on the part of masters and men, and the attitude taken by the public towards both, required an *latioriore* of this sort to promote a good understanding, and to secure equity and justice to all. With such an auxiliary, what waste of time and funds had been avoided—what noble projects carried out—what petty strife suppressed—what distractions kept down. Our dignity would have been maintained, and our cause ennobled.

But more than this. How many of the claims of humble merit have slept in this interval for the want of a friendly expositor, or a common vehicle of publicity? And how many valuable inventions have languished wanting encouragement, or died still-born in the obscurity of their birth? How many toilsome wanderings for the straits of search of employment might have been avoided!

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have adjusted the balance. Its columns at all times open to inquirers, and the office for reference, would have solved many difficulties, and facilitated many purposes of

But "better late than never." The present effort will be under the chief conduct of one who, from his experience and practice, has derived means and opportunities for knowing the wants, and understanding the interests, of the class to whom he has the honor to belong. And it will be the object at all times to enlist in behalf of this enterprise the talent and services of all superior minded and zealous hearts in the various kindred professions.

The paper will be of a convenient size for being bound in a book, and so that the essays and illustrations may be separated and preserved. As before stated in respect of the political department, the Editor will endeavor to steer clear of partisanship. But times may arise when a feeble advocacy of trade interests will require him to oppose or support the party in power; on such occasions he will claim for himself the right to assert his views, and those of his class, in a plain and temperate manner.

The illustrations will consist of views, plans, elevations, and sections of ancient and modern buildings, and of parts of buildings, so as effectually to describe their peculiar excellencies:—of working drawings and diagrams for the carpenter, mason, cabinet-maker, &c. &c.—designs of manufactured articles and implements used in building:—of improved associations and architectural arrangements, whether in the cottage or the mansion, the villa or the palace, on the farm, the village, and the city; in short, there will be no subject in art or science connected with building (and the flourishing of buildings that will not be sought after to be illustrated here.

As a medium of Advertisements, Re merits will be obvious: the List already given comprehends a large number of those to whom such a paper as this offers always the only proper vehicle. But there are many besides to whom it will be a welcome organ. In the matter of contracts for building, of business to be disposed of or sought after, of workmen wanted or seeking employment, and in all such pertaining to the class of builders and cabinet makers, it will at once form a perfect scheme of publicity, thereby encouraging many to advertise, in the certainty of their advertisements being read, and many to read in the same certainty of finding an answer to their wants.

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ARTISTS, PRINTSELLERS, and Others

A. A. was respectfully informed that C. P. Auerfeld has devised a large collection of new and elegant Designs for Picture Frames in the Improved Paper Mache. The superiority of these Frames consists in their having all the effect of old carved wood; many patterns represent exactly the finest carvings of the 17th century. The small parts are far less liable to injury than pottery work. Paper Mache being a remarkably tough and hard substance, it scrapes, scratches, and takes rubbing very freely; this frames do not weigh one quarter the weight of others, and the price is below that usually charged.

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TO CIVIL ENGINEERS, ARCHITECTS, BUILDERS, AND

THE PUBLIC.
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MANUFACTORIES, Tinsell, near Newcastle, Stafford-
shire Depot, Albion Wharf, Rilland-street, London, &c.
Messrs. Wm. Peake and Co.

The minister and his late father have conducted the paper since 1860, now thirty-four years. He begs to remark that, during that period, the articles have explicated other materials to a considerable extent provisionally; and experience leads him to believe that they will be more generally accepted as the ministry so they become known.

T. F. had the honor to supply food wire for lodges, within six at Chaseworth, and he believes they are now erected in sufficient

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Ruston Down—Mr. W. Dewey, the Quarry.
 Bristol Down—Mr. G. S. Gurrington, Canon's marsh
 Isle of Wight—Mr. E. S. Paxton, Ryde.
 An early call to meet respectfully solicited.

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 Patent weather-tight Fastenings and Cill ornaments, which render the French windows make a secure, cheap, and unobtrusive fastening for lashing down.
 Manufactured for Iron and Brass work of every description.
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